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FIG. 1 employs the principles of this invention in an arrangement where all of the telephones in a service group are coupled to switching apparatus 200 through bus 202. Bus ~~202~~ 201 is merely illustrative, of course, and the same operation can be implemented with a network (e.g. local area network). Moreover, having a separate network is not a requirement of this invention. FIG. 2 depicts a network 100, for example, which may be an ATM network, with routers 101 through 105 to which telephones 10 through 18 are connected. As shown, telephones 10 through 18 are connected to different routers of the network 100 routers. Nevertheless, telephones 11 through 18 can form a service group, just as in the FIG. 1 embodiment. Switching apparatus 200 still implements the principles disclosed herein, except that the query and response message pass through the ATM network prior to call set-up.